



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Anderson et al.		
Serial No.:	10/589,381	Case No.:	21490YP
Filed:	August 15, 2006		
For:	POLYPEPTIDES FOR INDUCING A PROTECTIVE IMMUNE RESPONSE AGAINST <i>STAPHYLOOCOCCUS AUREUS</i>		
Art Unit: 1645			
Examiner: Devi, Sarvamangala			

Amendment

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed June 12, 2008:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 6 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

The present response is filed with a request for a one month time extension, which takes into account October 12, 2008 falling on Sunday, and October 13, 2008 being a Federal Holiday.

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